

BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In the Matter of the Revocation)	
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or Suspension of the Educator)	CONSENT ORDER OF
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Certificate of Nathaniel Myers, Jr.)	VOLUNTARY SURRENDER
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Certificate # 148337)	

SUMMARY OF THE CASE

The South Carolina State Board of Education (State Board) considered this matter on October 7, 2003. On June 11, 2002, the State Board summarily suspended the South Carolina educator certificate (certificate) of Nathaniel Myers, Jr., #148337, based on allegations that he made inappropriate comments of a sexual nature to female students in his class. On June 12, 2002, the South Carolina Department of Education (Department) sent Mr. Myers a notice of hearing before the State Board concerning the possible suspension or revocation of his certificate. Mr. Myers received the notice as evidenced by a postal receipt bearing his signature. Mr. Myers initially requested a hearing. He subsequently agreed through his attorney, W.E. Jenkinson, III, to the voluntary and permanent surrender of his certificate, and also agreed never to re-apply in South Carolina. This surrender will be reported to the NASDTEC Clearinghouse and all South Carolina school districts as a permanent surrender. After considering the evidence presented, the State Board voted to accept the voluntary and permanent surrender of Mr. Myer's certificate.

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Mr. Myers holds a valid South Carolina certificate with over fourteen years of teaching experience. He was under contract with the Georgetown County School District (District) for the 2001-2002 school year. On May 20, 2002, the District placed Mr. Myers on suspension from his teaching position at Georgetown High School after an investigation by the District into allegations that Mr. Myers made inappropriate comments of an explicit sexual nature to female students.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

"The South Carolina Board of Education may, for just cause, either revoke or suspend the certificate of any person." S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-150 (1990). Just cause includes "Unprofessional conduct, Immorality, and Any conduct involving moral

turpitude.” S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-160 (1990). The State Board finds that the preponderance of the evidence presented supports its decision to accept the voluntary and permanent surrender of Ms. Myer’s certificate # 148337, effective October 7, 2003.

South Carolina State Board of Education

By: /S/ Greg Killian
Greg Killian
Chair

Columbia, South Carolina
October 7, 2003

I, Nathaniel Myers, Jr., SC Teaching Certificate # 148337, do hereby agree to the proposed Consent Order of Voluntary Surrender, consisting of two pages, and understand that this Order will be presented as signed to the State Board of Education on Tuesday, October 7, 2003, for approval.

/S/ Nathaniel Myers, Jr.
Nathaniel Myers, Jr.

9/26/03
Date